

The Council is authorized to conduct programs. Among these are the Statewide survey of the resources and needs in the arts, to determine the extent to which existing resources can fill these needs, to encourage and assist in the formation of local community arts councils, as well as to make grants to arts organizations and individual artists. The Council may also provide technical and consultative assistance to arts organizations throughout the State and design new or expanded arts programs.

During the 1969 fiscal year, the Council became the agency through which the General Assembly makes the annual appropriations to the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra and the Center Stage.

The Council is the recipient of an annual grant from the National Foundation of Arts and Humanities for program support (Code 1957, 1965 Repl. Vol., 1968 Supp., Art. 41, secs. 387-395).

Appropriations	1969	1970
General Funds	\$267,813	\$270,000

Health and Mental Hygiene

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The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene was created by Chapter 77, Acts of 1969. The head of the Department is the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene who is appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Secretary serves at the pleasure of the Governor. The Deputy Secretary is appointed by the Secretary with the approval of the Governor and serves at his pleasure. The two Assistant Secretaries are appointed by the Secretary.

The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene is responsible for the coordination and direction of all planning facilities, budgeting, personnel, and promulgation of rules and regulations for his office. In addition, he is responsible for those of the State Department of Health, the State Department of Mental Hygiene, the Department of Post-Mortem Examiners, the State Department of Juvenile Services, the State Board of Dental Examiners, the Comprehensive Health Planning Agency, the Commission on Physical Fitness, the Board of Medical Examiners, the Commission on Medical Discipline, the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, the Anatomy Board of Maryland, the Maryland Board of Pharmacy, the State Board of Examiners of Nurses, the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, the Board of Examiners of Optometry, the Board of Osteopathic Examiners, the Board of Podiatry Examiners, the State Board of Chiroprac-